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The incoming administration is going to be a jolly one for every trust—but a public trust.

Senator Frye, the great champion of the New England fishery interests, is said to want the State Department. What for? Just for a cod perhaps.

It is now said that Mr. Blaine will decline the Secretary of State, and go to the Senate. The last time he went to the Senate it was to avoid an investigation in the House.

The speeches of the delegations who visit General Harrison are terse and to the point, they say, "we want the offices," speaking with a strong emphasis on each word, and Blaine 'em they're going to get them too.

The supreme court of Massachusetts has decided that the Legislature has the power to grant the taking of water from ponds without compensation to those who have hitherto used the water for furnishing power.

Among the treasures of Mr. Tilden's wine cellar were 444 bottles of the choicest Reinsteinberger cabinet. Mr. Harrison will never have any cabinet that beats the Reinsteinberger.

The EPITAPH regrets to learn that George H. Tinker, the bright editor of the Flagstaff Champion is in danger of losing his eye sight. There was a time when he could "see" a "blind" by the dimtest light.

This is a good year for Republicans, it is also a good year for Democrats to prove their loyalty to their party, and the EPITAPH trusts that the resignation of every Democratic government official in Arizona will be dated March 4th 1889.

The Nogales Herald objects to the EPITAPH saying: "There isn't much nutriment in running a nonpartisan paper in a long primer town." All right, if you are contented to run a long primer paper in a nonpartisan town, the EPITAPH has no objection.

It is announced that the division between Mazatlan and Guadalupe will be graded and railed at the rate of two miles per day, and the connection of Mazatlan with the City of Mexico, both by rail and telegraph completed before the close of 1889.

It is rumored that the distinguished, if erratic editor of the Prospector, has received official notification of his election as an honorary member of the Ananias Club of Boston, and although it associates him with some of the most able and prominent editors in the country, he seems in no wise over pleased with this appropriate and thoughtful appreciation of his acknowledged Ananias ability.

Rear Admiral Charles H. Baldwin died in New York on the 17th. He was born in that city in 1822, entered the navy as midshipman in 1839, served on the frigate "Congress" in the war with Mexico, served in the navy with distinction during the late war and was promoted to important commands, was made commodore in 1876 and rear admiral in 1883. He attended official the coronation of the present Czar of Russia, and in 1884 was placed on the retired list.

Blessed must have been the friend whom the late Mr. Tilden honored with his hospitality by ordering up some of that famous Reinsteinberger, that Chateau Lafitte, Chateau Latour, and that dear old Kentucky red-eye from his wine cellar at Greystone. What wit and wisdom a draught of those celestial cordials must have inspired! What cherries companionship and congeniality! Who can look over the list of the contents of the famous Greystone cellar, and not feel that Mr. Tilden was a great and genial statesman?

The repeated statement of the Prospector, that the EPITAPH had suspended publication, is ungentlemanly, unprofessional and malicious—ungentlemanly, because it is false, and gentlemen do not lie—unprofessional, for it is a fact, journalistic courtesy would at least forbids ghoulish glee over the death of a contemporary—malicious, because it springs from envy and a selfish desire to injure the business of an honorable competitor. We presume if Mr. Kohler, an energetic merchant in the same line of business as the editor of the Prospector, was to publish to the world that Mr. Bagg's house had suspended, and thus injure his trade at home and his creditors abroad, he would feel aggrieved and possibly sue for such damages as he would have sustained through the publication of a malicious falsehood. We had hoped in overlooking his eccentricities in the past, that time at least would teach him the courtesies which gentlemen accord to each other, and which journals extend one another, but we fear that mental meanness precludes even the efficacy usually accorded to experience, for in the grand lottery of life, he has certainly not drawn the coveted and much needed prize of common sense.

The report of the grand jury shows the affairs of the county to be in a most satisfactory condition. The rate of taxation is very low compared with former years, and there is no doubt it would have been still lower, if a full and complete assessment had been made. The total county expenses for the six months ending Oct. 1st, was \$29,606.12—all of which reflects credit upon the Board of Supervisors. The report of the hospital committee state that institution to be equal to any in the Territory in efficient management. The report of the committee, who are opposed to county printing being done in the county, is worthy of consideration. Two of the members of the committee have families and purchase everything possible, in the way of clothing, in the east. The other has had more free advertising and assistance from papers in selling mines than any man in the southwest. Still, being heavy taxpayers, their ratio of taxes from the printing bills falls unusually hard upon them, and justifies them in their remonstrance.

"Mysterious Tom" Gates has been visiting at Yuma and Tucson. His disease, brain softening, is evidently worse, as he has to be accompanied by a guard or friend wherever he goes. A sea voyage is generally recommended for such cases where they are not entirely hopeless.

The assessor says in his assessment that there are no hogs in Cochise county. However, Bauer, the butcher, has over 200 head for sale, which he purchased from ranches in the Huachuca mountains. Probably the next assessor will visit that section.

The office-seekers in countless throngs are already decending upon General Harrison. His friends should protect him as it was the place-hunters who worried his grandfather to death within a month after his inauguration.

It appears that even Mohave has given Mark Smith a small majority of twenty-one. This every county in the Territory endorses the course of "Our Mark" while in Congress.

It is called Tammany Haul now.

THANKSGIVING PROCLAMATION.

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT, TERRITORY OF ARIZONA, OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR.

Whereas, The President of the United States has designated and set apart, Thursday, the 29th day of November, A. D. 1888, as a day of public thanksgiving and prayer:

Now, therefore, I, C. Meyer Zulick, Governor of the Territory of Arizona, recognizing the time-honored custom, and the request of the President, do hereby proclaim and set apart the said 29th day of November, as a day of especial thanksgiving, inviting all the people of Arizona to lay aside business and assemble at their respective place of worship and return thanks to the Almighty for the continued prosperity of the people.

Done at the City of Prescott this 8th day of November, A. D. 1888. C. MEYER ZULICK.

By the Governor, JAS. A. BAYARD, Secretary of Territory.

VARIOUS OPINIONS.

The monopolists who have fattened on the blood of the people have secured a respite, but the day of execution approaches with all the steadiness of fate—Brooklyn Citizen.

Now that the field of smoke has been sufficiently lifted from the field of combat to make a clear revelation possible what is to be seen? Simply that New York was the pivotal state, and that it both betrayed and sold out the Democracy.—Kansas City Times.

NATIONAL MEXICAN RAILROAD.

On November 19th this railroad was opened for freight and passenger traffic. It is, says the Nogales Herald, the shortest and most direct railroad running between the City of Mexico and the Eastern part of the United States as will be seen from the following schedule. From the City of Mexico to New Orleans 71 hours; Kansas City and St. Louis 87 hours; Chicago 99 hours; Washington 112 hours; Philadelphia 114 hours; New York 116 hours and Boston 124 hours.

THE SAME BOOT.

"A Republican judge of election, says the Flagstaff Champion was assassinated in New Mexico while he was counting the votes."

The plain truth of the matter is, the judge was a Democrat and was assassinated by a Republican Mexican desperado, who was hired for \$300, to steal the ballot box, and who did not hesitate at murder to accomplish his designs. This is the same boot but it fits on the other foot.

THE ASSEMBLY DEMOCRATIC.

There is no longer any question as to how the Territorial Legislature will stand politically, the following counties have elected Democrats: Apache, 2, Yavapai 3, Mohave, 1, Yuma, 1, Pima, 2, Cochise, 1, Maricopa, 1, Graham, 1, Pinal, 1.

STOCK AND RANGE.

The Nogales Herald, in a late issue, makes the statement that a diseased bullock has never been known in Sonora. In the face of this is the fact that among the first lot of cattle examined at Nogales, under the new quarantine, one was condemned as being diseased, it having the "big jaw," a disease ordinarily contagious, and whenever a brute is found so afflicted, it is immediately killed and the head buried. In further proof that the Herald spoke without investigation or knowledge of the matter, Messrs. Mercer and Taylor, the former of California and the latter of Las Vegas, both government agents of the department of Bureau of Animal Industry, reported to the heads of their department that the cattle from the low lands of Sonora, especially in the vicinity of Hermosillo, should be quarantined for 90 days before crossing the line in Arizona. It is an established fact that wherever human beings are effected with yellow or similar fevers that cattle have splenic fevers, and that a type of the yellow fever, sadly fatal in effect, has been an epidemic at, and the vicinity of Guaymas and Hermosillo almost every summer, is a fact admitting of no argument. No healthier cattle probably exist in the world than those on the highlands and mesas of Sonora, but in the moist lowlands, where the temperature during the summer averages from 115 to 120 degrees, the cattle are no healthier than the inhabitants of those fever prevailing districts. In proof of this we have been reliably informed that within the last fifteen months a large number of cattle have died, not far from Hermosillo, with a fever of a character unknown to the stockman of Texas or Arizona. If Mr. Chatham's knowledge of the health of Sonora cattle is so positive and extensive as to enable him to satisfactorily explain this matter, his information will be received with profound gratitude by the stockmen of the southwest.

It does not appear to be general known that Mr. C. M. Bruce resigned as a member of Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Arizona, last October, and is no longer a member of that body. In view of this fact, and the importance to this section of having a member on the board, the EPITAPH suggests that the stockmen meet and select from their number a name to be submitted to the Governor for appointment to fill the vacancy now existing.

Messrs. John C. Fall and Soto Bros. of Wilcox, have put up a fine set of stock scales at that place.

Charles Storm & Co., now have at Colton the most commodious stock pens and corrals in Southern California. They are prepared to receive shipments of cattle from either the S. P. or A. P. roads, and will dispatch the same to any point desired.

It is estimated that \$500,000,000 is invested in the cattle business, in States and Territories west of the Mississippi. We are informed that some parties along the lower-San Pedro have offered mixed lots of cattle for sale at \$10 per head and cows and calves for \$15. We imagine the cattle must be in very poor condition.

C. M. Bruce, late chairman of the Live Stock Sanitary Commission of Arizona, was in Tombstone last Tuesday and in answer to the inquiry of the editor of the EPITAPH, as to why the late order from the Treasury Department named Nogales and Yuma as quarantine stations, said, in substance, that the first petition for the establishment of quarantine stations was forwarded to the Secretary of the Treasury by the Territorial Sanitary Commission in December, 1887. The report of the Territorial veterinarian surgeon, recommending the same course was forwarded in the early part of 1888. It was suggested at that time that all the ports of entry be made quarantine stations, but later on, in the latter part of March, when Mr. Bruce and Delegate Smith were in conversation with Dr. Salmon, chief of the department of Animal Industry, regarding this matter, it was suggested that as the Treasury Department contemplated changing the ports of entry from Tucson to Buenos Ayres and from Tombstone to Herford that these places be omitted until some definite action had been taken by the government. Later on, the changes were made, but whether Dr. Salmon was apprised of the fact is not known. At any rate the promulgation of the order was as much of a surprise to the Sanitary Commission as it was to the stockmen, and a request to the department on the part of the Commission to have Buenos Ayres and Herford included as quarantine stations, reached headquarters and was probably acted upon, before the petition of the stockmen had been received by Dr. Salmon.

In the stock and range column of the EPITAPH last week, mention was made of the difference in the matter of accommodation afforded stockmen by the S. P. and A. P. railroads. The seed was evidently sown in good soil as the cattlemen of this section have forwarded a petition to the management of the S. P., setting forth the facts, that as the A. P. gives them better and larger cars, ample pen and corral room, quicker and cheaper transportation, the cattle buyers of California are ignoring Southern Arizona in favor of other sections where beef cattle are no mere plentiful, nor in better condition than they are here. There is no doubt but that the S. P. people will, when their attention is called to these facts, not only remedy the omissions of the past and offer the stockmen every possible accommodation, but do all in their power to increase and encourage trade with this important industry.

ARIZONA NEWS.

Patrick Ford and his son Jerome, who were sentenced to one year in the Territorial prison for arson, have been pardoned.

Flagstaff polled 220 more votes this election than it did two years ago.

A Spanish Methodist church has been established in Tucson.

It is said that Royal Johnson is setting his pins for surveyor general of this Territory.

Among the new residents of Phenix is the Rev. Martin V. Smith, of Belton, Texas, a Baptist minister of the Long Star State.

In referring to the Chamber of Commerce, recently organized at Phenix, the Gazette says: "It has started out splendidly, and we apprehend it will be of incalculable benefit to this city. Such an organization, conducted on true principles, can accomplish wonderful results, and the men at the head of this are first-class business men."

Stage robbing must be poor business, judging from the experience of the highwayman who recently stopped the McDowell stage. To the driver he said: "I have been holding up stages all over this country of late, and nobody has anything. I have been waiting for the paymaster, but cannot find out when he will be along. I will see you again some day."

Charles Anderson, a teamster and a native of Utah, was found dead in his blankets last Tuesday morning in camp east of the Summit on the San Carlos road. His death was caused by heart disease. He leaves a wife and five children at Smithville, Graham county.

Superintendent John H. Behan gave an elegant party at his residence on 1st Wednesday evening, in honor of Hon. Thomas Gates and Henry Treichler.

The law firm of Herford, Lovell & Herford, of Tucson, has by mutual consent been dissolved, Judge Lovell withdrawing. The firm will be Herford & Herford, father and son.

There are nine Masonic lodges in Arizona, comprising a membership of four hundred and seventeen, and all were represented at the Grand Lodge at Prescott last week.

Earnest Hayse met with a serious accident near Globe, last week, while hunting. His gun was prematurely discharged badly lacerating his left hand.

Major Geo. R. Smith, paymaster U. S. A., is going the rounds from Ft. Grant, Camp Thomas, San Carlos and Camp Apache paying off the soldiers.

John C. Fall, the venerable merchant of Wilcox, is still confined to his bed.

After a searching investigation by the authorities of Altar and the State government, it has been decided that John P. McCarthy committed suicide and that he was not assassinated as claimed by certain parties.

The Mexican authorities think they have sufficient evidence against Fredrico Duran, now in the Guaymas jail, to convict him as one of the Nogales train robbers.

The five straight Democratic votes from New River, says the Phenix Gazette, was a surprise to both Democrats and Republicans, and turned the scale in favor of Bud Gray for Sheriff, electing him over J. L. Ward by one majority.

Wm. C. Clark, aged 67, died at Cave creek last Monday. He was a member of Arizona Lodge No. 2 F. and A. M. Phenix boasts of a sweet potato weighing 18 pounds. We have some sweet girls in Tombstone that weigh a great deal more.

Tom Hennessey, who had a fight with Dan Connors, at Whipple, near Prescott, a short time ago, is reported to have signed with the "Coolidge Kid" for a knock out at Winslow.

The Black Canyon stage, says the Miner of the 17th, was held up a day or two since and the only male passenger aboard, and the driver, were asked for a contribution. Both were out of funds.

There are now said to be thirteen candidates for the postmastership at Tucson. Thirteen is an unlucky number, but others are apt to fall in line.

The headquarters of the 4th Cavalry have been ordered to Port Lowell from Fort Huachuca. The regiment is commanded by Col. C. E. Compton.

It is said that a large acreage of new land will be cultivated under the High-land canal, Maricopa county, this season.

Governor Zulick is at Phenix looking after his landed interests in the valley. He'll have more time later on.

The Southern Pacific railroad, says the Phenix Gazette, elected two of their men to the legislature in Pima county—Martin and O'Brien, one Republican and one Democrat.

The Clifton Clarion of the 21st, says that a railroad employe named Harry Simpson, had his right hand caught while coupling cars at Duncan last week and had the third and fourth fingers so badly mangled that they had to be amputated.

Fred Wright, a German farmer, resident of Salt river valley, died at Phenix last Thursday.

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